

FARM IMPLEMENTS

We have just unloaded our third car of farm implements and would be pleased to have all our friends call and see samples which we have set up, consisting of.....

John Deere Riding and Walking Plows, Rod and Moldboard Breaking Plows, Disc Harrows, with either Pole or Tongue Truck; Riding and Walking Listers; Lister Carriages to convert any Walking Lister to a Riding Lister or any Walking Plow to a Riding Plow; Breaking Plows to fit this lister carriage; Double Cast Hoosier Endgate Seeders; Riding and Walking Cultivators; Disc Cultivators; Steel Lever Harrows and riding attachments for harrows; Single and Double Row Listed Corn Cultivators; Tower Surface Cultivators; Oliver Chilled Plows; Moline Wagons; Velie Buggies. Call and inspect them.

LUDWIG LUMBER CO.,
PHONE 8 VALENTINE, NEBRASKA

Crookston Items.

Someone poisoned two of Mr. Sisler's dogs.

Mr. Sauerwein, north of Crookston, is building a new house.

Mrs. Bruce came up from Wood Lake last Friday evening to visit friends.

I. M. Jones left last evening for a visit, but we did not learn where.

Max E. Viertel has moved his dry goods and postoffice into the new addition lately built.

W. E. Searby has improved his residence with a new porch. We like to see new improvements.

M. E. Sunday school shipped a case of eggs to the M. E. hospital at Omaha last week and are now filling another.

Spring has come with the blackbirds this year and the poor men are catching it planting gardens and house cleaning.

A. Z. Fraser returned last week from his visit in Indiana and Kentucky, resuming again his position with Krotter & Hall.

Two of our citizens had gotten into a dispute over some matter, so to settle it, they pulled coats and clinched fists, but otherwise no damage was done that was heard of.

St. Nicholas Church.

Services will be held as follows: In Arabia on Sat., May 18. In Crookston in the Prairie Belle school house, Sunday, May 19.

In Valentine, Sunday, May 26, with services as follows: Low mass at 8 a. m., high mass and sermon at 10:30 a. m., instruction for the children at 3 p. m.

In Nenzel, Sunday, June 2. 163 LEO M. BLAERE, Rector.

Oasis

Wm. Bachelor of Oasis went to town for a load of supplies.

The Oasis boys have organized a base ball team.

Ben Bachelor and wife are visiting Mrs. Bachelor's parents, J. H. Newman and wife.

Mrs. John Grange and her daughter Mary went to town recently.

Get your property insured by I. M. Rice and you will be safe. His companies pay losses promptly.

Had a Slow but Sure Gait.
There have been numerous disappointments in the outcome of some of the boys. We remember one boy in particular who was the butt of all ridicule from the boys of his age, and he took it good naturedly. He seemed to have no particular friends and he was by himself. His clothes always looked funny, and he had that awkward swagger over which the rest of us had much sport. No one ever thought that that plug would ever get anywhere or have anything. But today that plug is drawing a better salary than any two of the old gang. He has more money, more influence and more friends than any of the rest of us. The plug had a gait that was slow, but it was sure. He didn't appear to be a bit bright then, but he had a surface that took on a polish.—Westphalia (Mo.) Times.

Yet He Didn't Need Them.
He had been enrolling on a young lady for many moons; but, being backward, his suit progressed slowly. Finally she decided it was up to her to start something, so the next time he called she pointed to the rose in his buttonhole and said:
"I'll give you a kiss for that rose." A large, open face blushed merrily over his countenance, but the exchange was made. Then he grabbed his hat and started to leave the room.
"Why, where are you going?" she asked in surprise.
"To the—er—florist for more roses," he exclaimed.

Dangerous Ignorance.
If his son came to him and said, "I want you to show me on a piece of paper how this house is drained and why such traps are used," could the average citizen satisfy that son? Of course he could not. A few might be able to do so, but the average man is an ignorant person on all questions of hygiene.—G. H. R. Dabbs, M. D., in C. B. Fry's Magazine.

All Hers.
"I'm told," said Miss Pepprey, "that your bride is very pretty."
"Yes, indeed," replied Mr. Con Seet. "Several of the guests at the ceremony were pleased to call it a wedding of beauty and brains."
"Really? She must be a remarkable woman to have beauty and brains too."—Philadelphia Press.

When Stevenson Was Poor.
Robert Louis Stevenson was in poor circumstances in San Francisco before he made his hit with the world. During the time that he used to loaf, peniless, upon the lawn where afterward they put up a bronze and marble statue to him, he picked up a few quarters acting as super in the old California theater, in Bush street.

Hint Not Taken.
"From the grammatical standpoint," said the fair maid with the lofty forehead, "which do you consider correct, 'I had rather go home' or 'I would rather go home'?"
"Neither," promptly responded the young man. "I'd much rather stay here."

His Little Joke.
At the breakfast table Good Friday morning Wilfred was given a hot cross bun. It was very small, raisinless and burnt.
"Ma," said the little fellow, disappointedly, "this seems to be a hot cross bunko."—Woman's Home Companion.

FREE TRADE IN ZONES

Americans to Pay the Tariff Tax For Foreigners.

A STRANGE PROPOSITION.

Imports of Raw Materials to Be Free, So the Trusts Can Sell Cheaper Abroad Than Here—Protectionists Evidently at Their Wits' End to Hold Foreign Markets.

The strange economic theories of Secretary Shaw will soon not be of much consequence, for after March 4 he will sink into political desuetude. But as showing the perplexed condition of the stand pat mind in seeking to escape the inevitable tariff reform his proposition to create three free trade zones, two of which are to be located on the Atlantic coast and one on the Gulf coast, where manufacturers may be established and allowed to use free raw material for products to be sold abroad, is remarkable. These free trade zones would be for the advantage of foreigners, so that American products could be sold to them cheaper than to our own people, for the full tariff rates are to be paid by the American consumer whether manufactured in the zones or elsewhere.

As the tariff on actual imports averages over 60 per cent and on some articles is over 100 per cent and this high protection to the trusts and companies has had considerable to do with trust high prices and the greatly increased cost of living, very naturally it costs much more to manufacture here than in such low tariff countries as England and Belgium and elsewhere, where the cost of living is much cheaper. The absurdity of the Shaw plan is evident from the fact that the wages paid to labor in the free trade zones must be just as high as are paid to those working in the tariff territory of the balance of the United States, for it would cost the workmen there as much as elsewhere. Everything used or consumed in the zones by the workers there would pay the present high rates of duty, and only the raw materials imported for manufacturing would be free.

The important fact that this Shaw plan brings out is that the protectionists acknowledge that the present high tariff is too great a burden for our manufacturers of products for export to bear and that as the retaliative tariffs of other countries become operative against our exports it must end in so decreasing their volume as to virtually be destructive of our foreign trade in manufactured articles.

The trust barons, who are now so highly protected, may obtain still higher rates under the proposed maximum and minimum tariff, which would give them a further monopoly of the home market and would surely result in still higher prices for manufactured products, because even the little competition from abroad which we now enjoy would be effectually cut off. That would increase the cost of living still more and make it more difficult to compete in foreign countries with our products, and apparently the plan is to overcome the partial annihilation of our foreign trade that the prohibitive tariff of other countries is likely to cause. As Secretary Shaw is high in the councils of the stand patters, his new plan is perhaps a scheme of the protectionists to add to the tariff taxes the American people now pay by creating free zones for the benefit of the trusts and the foreigner and maximum rates for us. It is also evident that under the Shaw plan, instead of the foreigner paying the tax, as the protectionists have tried to make us believe he does, the American people not only pay the tariff tax, but the expense of keeping up the free zones and the increased profits on trust products which the tariff protects them in charging in the home market. Does not all this indicate that the protective system is breaking down of its own weight and that its votaries are at their wits' end to continue plans to keep their hold on foreign markets, which they find slipping away from them through the retaliation of other countries against our high tariff? How long will the people continue to submit to this trust and corporation plundering under the guise of law?

Oil Trust Exposed.
The interstate commerce commission in its scathing report to congress on the investigation of the Standard Oil trust arraigns that great corporation for corruption of officials and employees of rival corporations and the press. It also declares that the course followed has been without decency or conscience and says the pipe lines and railroads have fixed rates to shut out its independent competitors. All this is but an official version of what the Democrats have long claimed as the way the trust was operating, but the Republican leaders denied it and refused so long to legislate to prevent its continuance. Will any one say after this exposure that the pious Rockefeller and his partners should not be proceeded against under the criminal law against trusts as well as under the civil sections which only provide for fines? No wonder Standard Oil has paid 40 per cent dividends and over for many years, with huge profits wrung from a helpless people!

Hard on the Farmer.
Under the new German tariff but little of our meat and fruit will get past the tax collectors unless our producers follow the trust plan of selling cheaper to foreigners than to our own people.

Weather Data.

The following data, covering a period of 18 years, have been compiled from the Weather Bureau records at Valentine, Neb. They are issued to show the conditions that have prevailed, during the month in question, for the above period of years, but must not be construed as a forecast of the weather conditions for the coming month.

May.

TEMPERATURE.
Mean or normal 58°
The warmest month was that of 1900 with an average of 63°
The coldest month was that of 1892 with an average of 48°
The highest was 97° on 8, 1895
The lowest was 23° on 2, 1889

PRECIPITATION.
Average for month 2.51 inches.
Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more 11

The greatest monthly precipitation was 5.98 inches in 1898
The least monthly precipitation was 0.17 inches in 1894.
The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 1.96 inches on 18, 1897.
The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours (record extending to winter of 1884-85 only) was 12.27 inches on 7-8, 1892

CLOUDS AND WEATHER.
Average number of clear days, 12 partly cloudy, 11; cloudy, 8.

WIND.
The prevailing winds have been from the NW.

The average hourly velocity of the wind is 12 miles.
The highest velocity of the wind was 75 miles from the SW on 21, 1906

J. J. McLEAN,
Observer Weather Bureau.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Order of Hearing and Notice of Probate of Will.

In the County Court of Cherry County, Nebraska.
STATE OF NEBRASKA, COUNTY OF CHERRY.
To the heirs and to all persons interested in the estate of Henry Ahrens, deceased: On reading the petition of John M. Tucker praying that the instrument filed in this court on the 26th day of April, 1907, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, may be proved and allowed and recorded as the last will and testament of said deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate, and the administration of said estate be granted to William Welch, as executor.
It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter, may, and do appear at the county court to be held in and for said county on the 17th day of May, A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Valentine Democrat a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 30th day of April, A. D. 1907.
SEAL 163 W. R. TOWNE, County Judge.

Order of Hearing and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account.

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA, In the County of CHERRY COUNTY, ss. Court.
To the heirs and to all persons interested in the estate of George S. O'Brien, deceased: On reading the petition of George E. O'Brien praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this court on the 24th day of April, 1907.
It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter, may, and do appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county, on the 17th day of May, A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Valentine Democrat a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.
SEAL 163 W. R. TOWNE, County Judge.

In the County Court of Cherry County, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of George F. Vanburen, deceased:
All persons interested in said estate will take notice that I have fixed Saturday, May 18, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., as the time and my office in Valentine, Cherry County, Nebraska, as the place for the hearing of the petition of Thomas D. Vanburen for the probate of the estate of George F. Vanburen, deceased, without administration and for a decree of the county court directing the heirs at law of the said George F. Vanburen, deceased, at what time and place all persons interested in said estate may appear and show cause, if any there be, why said estate should not be probated without administration.
W. R. TOWNE, Sheriff, 154

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of the district court of Cherry County, Nebraska, April 24th, 1907, under a decree of mortgage foreclosure, wherein F. T. Barnes et al is plaintiff, and Scott A. Bellinger et al are defendants, I will sell at the front door of the county court in Valentine, Cherry County, Nebraska, that being the building wherein the last term of said court was held, on the 15th day of June 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., to satisfy judgment of \$1420.09 and interest at 10 per cent from date of judgment, March 22d, 1907, and accruing costs, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property to-wit: Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of the district court of Cherry County, Nebraska, April 24th, 1907, under a decree of mortgage foreclosure, wherein F. T. Barnes et al is plaintiff, and Scott A. Bellinger et al are defendants, I will sell at the front door of the county court in Valentine, Cherry County, Nebraska, that being the building wherein the last term of said court was held, on the 15th day of June 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., to satisfy judgment of \$1420.09 and interest at 10 per cent from date of judgment, March 22d, 1907, and accruing costs, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property to-wit: Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 27